

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Shuichi Takagi et al.  
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**PETITION UNDER 1.136(a) AND**  
**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the non final Office Action December 28, 2009. A response is due by April 28, 2010 with payment of a one-month extension fee; thus, this Response is timely filed.

Kindly consider the following remarks.

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